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Aloha Honorable City Councilpersons, Please leave compostable plastic bags alone.

Written Testimony Mr. Elefante's comments to the Star Advertiser are correct in that current laws are insufficient to encourage widespread uptake of more environmentally friendly options. This is at least in part because paper bags of the kind issued by local supermarkets are of inferior structural integrity and carrying capacity when contrasted with plastic bags.

Given the many options available to improve the precious environment of our city, I urge the Council to consider something less directly obtrusive to its citizens. Compostable/biodegradable plastic bags would be a positive direction as opposed to the 'reusable' bags which have become the new litter. Such thicker bags were not commonplace until the law made them an attractive prospect for attracting customers discontented by paper bags.

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